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- A. U.S. Patent No. 4,349,701 entitled "TELEVISION RECEIVER WITH TWO-WAY TELEPHONE CONVERSATION AND DIAL-OUT CAPABILITIES" issued to Snopko on September 14, 1982.
- B. U.S. Patent No. 4,389,678 entitled "LANGUAGE INFORMATION SYSTEM" issued to on Missan et al. on June 21, 1983.
- C. U.S. Patent No. 4,734,764 entitled "CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM SELECTIVELY DISTRIBUTING PRE-RECORDED VIDEO AND AUDIO MESSAGES issued to Pocock et al. on March 29, 1988.
- D. U.S. Patent No. 4,839,733 entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SYNCHRONIZATION OF AN AUXILIARY SOUND SOURCE TO MOTION PICTURE FILM, VIDEO TAPE, OR OTHER PICTURE SOURCE CONTAINING A SOUND TRACK" issued to Karamon et al. on June 13, 1989.
- E. U.S. Patent No. 5,055,939 entitled "METHOD SYSTEM AND APPARATUS FOR SYNCHRONIZING AN AUXILIARY SOUND SOURCE CONTAINING MULTIPLE LANGUAGE CHANNELS WITH MOTION PICTURE FILM VIDEO TAPE OR OTHER PICTURE SOURCE CONTAINING A SOUND TRACK" issued to Karamon et al. on October 8, 1991.
- F. U.S. Patent No. 5,393,073 entitled "TALKING VIDEO GAMES" issued to Best on February 28, 1995.
- G. U.S. Patent No. 5,410,343 entitled "VIDEO-IN-DEMAND SERVICES USING PUBLIC SWITCHED TELEPHONE NETWORK" issued to Coddington et al. on April 25, 1995.
- H. U.S. Patent No. 5,438,355 entitled "INTERACTIVE SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING VIEWER RESPONSES TO TELEVISION PROGRAMMING" issued to Palmer on April 1, 1995.
- I. U.S. Patent No. 5,509,060 entitled "NETWORK-ACCESSIBLE INTELLIGENT TELEPHONE SERVICE" issued to Hall et al. on April 16, 1996.
- J. U.S. Patent No. 5,513,384 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING MULTIPLE BROADCASTS OF AUDIO INFORMATION TO SPECTATORS" issued to Brennan et al. on April 30, 1996.

- K. U.S. Patent No. 5,559,949 entitled "COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT AND PROGRAM STORAGE DEVICE FOR LINKING AND PRESENTING MOVIES WITH THEIR UNDERLYING SOURCE INFORMATION" issued to Reimer et al. on September 24, 1996.
- L. Kurtz, Josh "Technology, A Way to Hear Stock Quotes While Watching Cartoons", The New York Times, April 14, 1991 – Late Edition, Section 3, Page 8, Column 1.
- M. Britton, Bonnie, "Special Videos Narate the Action for Viewers with Visual Impairments", The Indianapolis Star, October 15, 1995, Pg. I04.
- N. U.S. Patent No. 5,561,709 entitled "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ELECTRONIC DEVICE FOR INFORMATION SERVICES" issued to Remillard on October 1, 1996.
- O. U.S. Patent No. 5,570,295 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD OF CAPTURING ENCODED DATA TRANSMITTED OVER A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK IN A VIDEO SYSTEM" issued to Isenberg et al. on October 29, 1996.
- P. U.S. Patent No. 5,594,660 entitled "PROGRAMMABLE AUDIO-VIDEO SYNCHRONIZATION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MULTIMEDIA SYSTEMS" issued to Sung et al. on January 14, 1997.
- Q. U.S. Patent No. 5,596,419 entitled "VIDEO SYSTEM USING TWO DIFFERENT KINDS OF RECORDING MEDIA" issued to Yoshimura et al. on January 21, 1997.
- R. U.S. Patent No. 5,596,705 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR LINKING AND PRESENTING MOVIES WITH THEIR UNDERLYING SOURCE INFORMATION" issued to Reimer et al. on January 21, 1997.
- S. U.S. Patent No. 5,677,739 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING DESCRIBED TELEVISION SERVICES" issued to Kirkland on October 14, 1997.
- T. U.S. Patent No. 5,712,950 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING PLAY OF MULTIPLE DIALOG AUDIO TRACKS OF A SOFTWARE CARRIER" issued to Cookson et al. on January 27, 1998.

- U. U.S. Patent No. 5,731,846 entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PERSPECTIVELY DISTORING AN IMAGE AND IMPLANTING SAME INTO A VIDEO STREAM" issued to Kreitman et al. on March 24, 1998.
- V. U.S. Patent No. 5,774,170 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DELIVERING TARGETED ADVERTISEMENTS TO CONSUMERS" issued to Hite et al. on June 30, 1998.
- W. U.S. Patent No. 5,809,471 entitled "RETRIEVAL OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NOT FOUND IN INTERACTIVE TV OR TELEPHONY SIGNAL BY APPLICATION USING DYNAMICALLY EXTRACTED VOCABULARY" issued to Brodsky on September 15, 1998.
- X. U.S. Patent No. 5,815,634 entitled "STREAM SYNCHRONIZATION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MPEG PLAYBACK SYSTEM" issued to Daum et al. on September 29, 1998.
- Y. "Dow Jones Investor Network Broadcasts Greenspan Live Tonight", Business Wire, October 19, 1995.
- Z. "General Instrument Corporation Reports Record Fourth Quarter and Full Year 1994 Results; Fourth Quarter Sales up by 32 Percent Over 1993; Net Income up 44 Percent Before Income Tax Benefit, PR Newswire, February 1, 1995.
- AA. U.S. Patent No. 5,900,908 entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING DESCRIBED TELEVISION SERVICES" issued to Kirkland on May 4, 1999.
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- EE. "Dow Jones Investor Network Debuts on Multimedia Division Home Page", Business Wire, August 29, 1995.
- FF. www.xensei.com/profile.
- GG. Hyper TV, www.hypertv.com, Download Date: March 24, 1998.

HH. PCT International Search Report for Application No. PCT/US98/05112 dated August 12, 1998.

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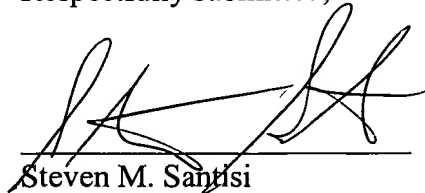
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